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1. The reply filed on August 26, 2003 (Paper No. 10) is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because there is some confusion regarding applicant's election of Category 104, SEQ ID:103. The Restriction Requirement mailed June 26, 2003 required election of an invention from Group 1 to Group 114. Applicant election is seemed to be incomplete and confusing for the following reasons: a) Applicant election of Category 104, SEQ ID:103 is incomplete because applicant is required to elect one group of invention from Group 1 to Group 114. b) It is confusing with regard to the election of SEQ ID: 103 because this election would be an election of Group 104 which read only on claim 32. Group 1 (Claims 1-2, 6-8, and 10-19), Group 2 (Claims 3-5, and 6-19), and Group 3 (Claim 20) does not require SEQ ID NOS 103. Further, no species election is required for Group 104.

To prevent any further confusion, applicant is requested to provide a fully responsive election and clarify the above matters.

2. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to My-Chau T. Tran whose telephone number is 703-305-6999. The examiner is on Increased Flex Schedule and can normally be reached on Monday: 8:00-2:30; Tuesday-Thursday: 7:30-5:00; Friday: 8:00-3:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Andrew J. Wang can be reached on 703-306-3217. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are 703-872-9306 for regular communications and 703-872-9306 for After Final communications. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-308-1123.

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